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C O N F I D E N T I A L ISLAMABAD 9460

SECSTATE FOR AIDAC; KABUL FOR RSO AND USAID;

KARACHI FOR RSS AND USAID - FROM RSO O'HANLON

E.O. 11652: ADS (DECLAS 10/17/76)

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SUBJECT: SECURITY INSPECTION - USAID

REF: STATE 221732

1. RSO LOOKS FORWARD TO VISIT OF MR. MCPOLAND AND MS. ANGNEW AND INVITES THEM TO STAY AT RSO'S RESIDENCE. BOTH CAN BE ACCOMMODATED IN PRIVATE ROOMS WITH PRIVATE BATHS.

2. RSO REQUESTS THAT SCHEDULE IN REFTEL BE CHANGED TO ALLOW MORE TIME IN ISLAMABAD. A MAXIMUM OF 24 HOURS WOULD BE REQUIRED IN KARACHI AS USAID FACILITY IN KARACHI IS EXTREMELY SMALL AND COULD BE FULLY DISCUSSED AFTER ON SITE INSPECTION IN ISLAMABAD. ALSO MEETING WITH RSS GARRETT IN KARACHI COULD BE ACCOMPLISHED DURING THIS TIME.

3. AS ONWARD DESTINATION FROM ISLAMABAD IS KABUL, TEAM COULD CONSIDER FLYING FROM ISLAMABAD TO PESHAWAR VIA PAKISTAN INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES AND VEHICLE TRIP FROM PESHAWAR TO KABUL. ROAD TRIP FROM PESHAWAR TO KABUL IS APPROXIMATELY 5 HOURS AND TAKES ONE THROUGH KYBER PASS AND KABUL GORGE - TWO WORTH- WHILE SIGHTS. TRIP BY VEHICLE THROUGH AFGHANISTAN IS RELAXING.

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4. RSO SUGGESTS CHANGE AS FOLLOWS: REMAINING IN KARACHI TUESDAY,

9/21 AND ALL DAY WEDNESDAY, 9/22/76 WITH DEPARTURE FOR ISLAMABAD ON EITHER WEDNESDAY, 9/22, AT 1700 VIA PK308 OR ON THURSDAY MORNING AT 0730 VIA PK300 AND DEPARTURE FROM ISLAMABAD ON EITHER SATURDAY OR SUNDAY FOR KABUL.

5. IF VEHICLE TRAVEL TO KABUL IS ACCEPTABLE, USAID ISLAMABAD WILL ARRANGE TRAVEL BETWEEN THE PESHAWAR AIRPORT AND THE AFGHAN BORDER AND TEAM SHOULD REQUEST USAID KABUL ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN BORDER AND KABUL. IF TEAM PREFERS TO TRAVEL BY AIR TO TEHRAN AND KABUL ON SUNDAY MORNING THEY CAN STILL DEPART ISLAMABAD ON SATURDAY, 9/25, TO CATCH PA 1 AT 0545, 9/26.

6. THIS WILL ALLOW TEAM TWO WORK DAYS TO DISCUSS USAID PAKISTAN SECURITY PROGRAM WITH RSO ANBNUSAID OFFICIALS.

7. FLIGHT PK632 DEPARTS ISLAMABAD FOR PESHAWAR AT 1100 HOURS ON SATURDAYS AND FLIGHT 662 DEPARTS ISLAMABAD FOR PESHAWAR AT 1100 HOURS ON SUNDAYS. BOTH ARRIVE AT 1140 HOURS. SHOULD YOU WISH TO UTILIZE ONE OF THESE FLIGHTS, PLEASE ADVISE AND RSO WILL MAKE RESERVATIONS LOCALLY.

8. PLEASE ADVISE.
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